

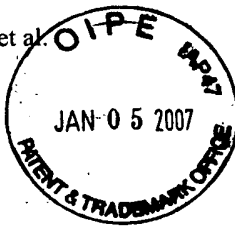
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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mitsuyoshi OKUDA, et al.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2006, Applicants respectfully
request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendments begin on page 5 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this response.